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The Honorable

The Secretary of State,
Washington.



Sir:

I have the honor to inform the Department that Italian gold mines in Eritrea, according to the *GIORNALE D'ITALIA* of October 10th, are now producing more than twenty-five kilos (55.1 lbs.) of gold monthly, the colony thus holding the forty-second place among world gold-producing countries and sixth place in Africa, following after the Transvaal, Rhodesia, British West Africa, Belgian Congo, and Tanganyica.

Gold mining equipment in the colony, the newspaper adds, is being perfected. With the new crushing machinery installed last August, the mines now have a daily

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capacity of 160 tons of crushed ore, and in the past few days a plant for cyanide treatment of ore has been put into operation with highly successful results.

Respectfully yours,

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Breckinridge Long.

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